

REMARKS

Claims 1-117 are pending in the application. Pursuant to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicant elects Group II, claims 44-60 and 100-117 for further prosecution, without traverse. Claims 1-43 and 61-99 have been canceled.

Applicant is informing the Examiner that the present application is related to U.S. Serial No. 10/797,303 filed March 9, 2004. There has been substantial prosecution on the merits in the '303 application including an Office action mailed January 5, 2007; a Response filed March 1, 2007; an Office action mailed June 28, 2007; a Response filed August 6, 2007; an Office action mailed November 21, 2007; and a telephone interview with Examiner Yabut on December 19, 2007. It is respectfully urged that the Examiner review the Office actions and Responses in the '303 application, including reviewing the prior art rejections.

Respectfully submitted,
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